

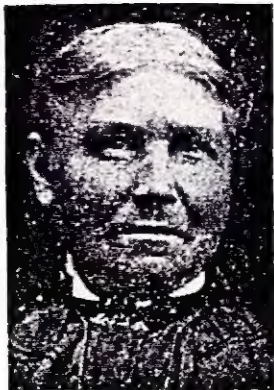
Robert
McKnight
Herb Doctor



Ellen
Clegg



Esther
Wagstaff



Hanah
Nicols



Cordelia
Wilson



Christina
Lindsay



Margaret
Watkins



Note: Pot-belly & stoves
in each corner
of the wasatch
Stake tabernacle
before 1906 & one in
back room
— Wilson
young

Note: Robert McNaught
(Herb Doctor)
was the Janitor
& carried wood &
coal to the stoves
& carried ashes
out

Robert McKnight Jr

Janitor
of Tabernacle

Get Pict
Jesse Bond



She died four months after her husband passed away. She and "Grandma" Rashband were buried the same day, joint funeral services were held for them in the Stake Tabernacle.

ROBERT JR. AND EMMA JOHNSON MCKNIGHT

Robert McKnight Jr., a son of Robert and Katherine Shields Murray McKnight, was born in Keyport, Pennsylvania. He was a baby of less than one year when his father and mother crossed the plains in a handcart company.

Robert lived his boyhood and adult life in Flower Valley. He was a man in and plasterer by trade, and worked in the lumber and saw mills, however, as a young man, until some time after his marriage. He was a musician, learning to play the cornet first. He was a member of the first band in Heber, which was under the directorship of Berlin Whitaker Sr. Later he learned to play the violin and played at dances his entire life. He was always accompanied by his life-long friend, Dick Duke, at the organ or piano. Edward Murdock also accompanied with his guitar and later his son, Lynn McKnight, played the banjo.

"Uncle Bob," as he was known, was also noted for his contributions on all Church and civic buildings. His sons and daughters were: Lilie, Rudolph, Emma, Ina, Clarence, Nellie, Almeda, Luella, Bert, Lynn and Paul. This made a total of 11 children. Nellie and Clarence both died in infancy.

Emma Johnson, daughter of Jonas and Stena Bringecken Johnson, was born in Tidelhone, Sweden. She was sent to this country for the Church at the age of 12 years. She was seven weeks on a sailing vessel, third class. Her entire food supply was in baskets. After landing at Ellis Island, she was sent to Salt Lake City with a tag pinned on her coat for identification.

Emma lived in Salt Lake City some years with her sister, Nettie Sofia. As a young girl and woman she worked as a laundry list at Brigham Young's Lion House. Later she worked with her sister Nettie in the leading restaurant in Salt Lake for three years. She then came to Heber Valley after her parents came from Sweden. She met Robert McKnight there and after a year of courtship they were married.

She lived at the sawmills in the summer with her husband, until they could acquire a home in Heber City. They lived at Daniels Creek, Wasatch County, for three years and then moved back to Heber. Emma was known for her frankness and industry. She was known as a very hard worker and a home lover. Her memories of her life in Sweden were very keen, and her love for that land was with her always.

ROBERT MONTGOMERY SR.



Robert Montgomery Sr. was born January 7, 1825, in Ireland.

He went to Scotland and married Mary Rogers Loury on March 1, 1846. She died January 10, 1863, in Heber City.

Mary Rogers Loury was born in Scotland on April 25, 1830. Seven children were born to them: Agnes, Sarah, Mary, Robert, Livingston, Elizabeth, Christine. Two children by two later marriages were: Josephine Booth and John L. Horrocks.

Robert Montgomery Sr. was the seventh child of Robert Montgomery and Agnes Shepherd. He was born January 7, 1825, in Churchtown, Ireland. At what age he entered the British army is not known, but at the age of 15 years he left the army and went to Scotland. Records show that at the age of 22, Robert Montgomery married Mary Rogers Loury. Robert was listed as being from Don Donald Parish, Ireland, and Mary gave her home town as Sanguver Parish, Ayrshire, Scotland. The date was March 1, 1846.

During the winter of 1846, Robert and Mary joined the Mormon Church. Robert was called to preside over the Ayrshire District. To provide for an ever increasing family, Robert worked in the mines in various capacities. Since this work was proving very

derogential to his health, he decided to emigrate to Utah, which he did in 1861.

He crossed the ocean on the ship "Underventer," with 624 LDS members aboard: Nulo Andrus, Homer Duncan, and C. N. Penrose were in charge of the group. The ship arrived at New York at Castle Gardens on May 22, 1861. June 2, 1861, found him at Florence, Nebraska, and on September 21, 1861, he arrived among friends in Heber City, Utah. There he proceeded to plan for the coming of his family. During the time he was building a home he lived with the following families: Thomas as Nicols, James Laird, Thomas Todd, Jesse Baird, David Stevenson and John McKechney. Robert worked as a pioneer cabinet maker. He made the desk that was used in the old tithing office at Heber City.

Mary Rogers Loury was born at Witlets Loch, Scotland, on April 25, 1830. 19 days after the organization of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Mary and her seven children sailed on May 14, 1862, on the "Tapscoot" from Liverpool. Francis M. Lyman, John Clark and William Gibson were in charge of the company. They arrived in New York and went by train to the Missouri River, where they joined the Homer Duncan company. This company left Florence, Nebraska, on July 24, 1862, and arrived in Salt Lake City on September 22, 1862.

Robert and his family were reunited only to be permanently separated on January 10, 1863, by the death of Robert. He was at this time 38 years and 3 days old. Mary, age 32, was left with seven children to face the dreary winter and years ahead. The family of Robert and Mary Montgomery are: Agnes, Sarah, Mary, Robert, Livingston, Christine, Josephine and John L. This was the humble start of the Montgomery family in Wasatch County. Subsequently Mary remarried. Mary Montgomery died July 2, 1904, at the age of 74 years, at Heber City, Utah.

to educate them in the ways of the white people. Mrs. Mary Ann Gibson Boone, a sister, was also employed by the government to do likewise in that territory. She was later transferred to the assignment to the states of Washington and Oregon to teach there. These sisters worked with the Indian people, teaching them the proper way to laundry and cook, etc., according to the white people's way of living. Most of these Indians girls were very interested in learning and Mrs. McAfee reports that several years after this teaching, she visited one of the girls' homes and she had just made some white bread which looked very nice, and her home was very clean and neat.

She came to Heber at the age of three, and is the mother of three children. Mrs. McAfee's oldest child, Clara, was the first white girl born in White Rocks.

Mrs. McAfee is now 91 years of age. She is living in Salt Lake and is very active. She keeps her own apartment, reads without glasses and keeps up on the news of the day.

ROBERT McKNIGHT SR. (McNAUGHT)



Robert McKnight Sr. (McNaught) was born in Glasgow, Scotland, January 1, 1803, son of Michael and Lizzie McKnight.

Robert McKnight Sr. was married twice, once in Scotland and again in America.

In Pennsylvania he met and married Katherine Shields McMurray, who had one son, George Murray, by a former marriage, and later had another son, Robert McKnight Jr.

Katherine Shields was born in Glasgow, Scotland, April 30, 1817. In 1837 she married George McMurray. She died October 13, 1900.

Robert McKnight, or Thistle Blackie, as he was commonly known, was the son of Michael and Lizzie McKnight. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, on January 1, 1803. He was converted and baptized quite young into the LDS Church by some of the first missionaries. He took up the work with great zeal and did much work in the old country. He was a strong advocate of the doctrines of Mormonism.

An educated botanist took him over the hills, studying many kinds of herbs and their uses. He became known as an herb doctor and the rest of his life was spent in helping people.

He was an exemplary gentleman, highly respected by his friends and neighbors. In Scotland he was known as the cholera doctor during the great epidemic of this disease. He was called out of the coal mines to help fight it.

He was over six foot tall with red hair and beard. Active and self-assured, he was a fluent speaker, a man whom God had blessed with the gift of healing, and was often called out of the mines to administer to the sick.

He also worked in the coal mines of Pennsylvania, where he met his future wife, Katherine Shields McMurray.

At Winter Quarters he was captain of immigrants. His duty was to prepare tents and places for them to stay until teams came from Utah. Here he met William Lindsay and his mother's family, and Mary Montgomery and her family. He played tennis in the wagon teams in which they were to cross the plains.

In 1862 he brought his family to Utah. They lived in Salt Lake two years and then came to Heber, where they lived several months with Mrs. Margaret Stevenson until their own home was finished at First South and First East, where John A. Anderson's house now stands.

He dabbled exclusively with herbs in this valley for many years, for which he never charged. He used to walk to Woodland, American Fork and Provo, and had a great deal of success in helping those with St. Vitus' dance.

He was a witty man and always had a clever answer because of his brilliancy, and had he had the opportunity of receiving an education it is believed he would have at-

tempted great success as a doctor. He died in the fall of 1900.

KATHERINE SHIELDS McMURRAY McKNIGHT



Katherine Shields was born in Glasgow, Scotland, on April 30, 1817. As a girl and young lady she worked in the wooden mills. She married George McMurray in 1837 and had a son, George McMurray Jr.

She came to America with her son. Her husband intended to come after he had earned more money, but he did not come. After nine years she married Robert McKnight and to them was born another son, Robert McKnight Jr.

In 1862 they came to Utah and lived on the block where the City and County Building now stands. While there she worked for Brigham Young. When they moved into their own home in Heber she was very proud and happy. It was a one-story building, with one window and one door. There was a fireplace and all the furniture was homemade. She baked her bread in an iron style skillet. She was exceptionally clean and tidy in her home and about herself, and was a wonderful cook and housekeeper, her home being always well kept and her garments always a shiny white. The walls were whitewashed.

She and her husband loved children and she generally had cookies and small seed cakes for them, while he always had peppermints and hardbound candy in his pocket for them. She made yeast out of hops and the neighbors around came to trade a little flour for some of her yeast.

She stayed home and was quiet, kind and fire-hearted, and was loved by everyone who knew her. She served as Relief Society teacher many years at the time Mrs. Lee was president.